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## Planning Our Future

After struggling for several years to gain some measure of control over development in the fringe areas through representation on the Metro Planning Board the same municipalities are now faced with a distinct possibility that they will shortly lose that control. If Metro's official plan is allowed to go through in its present form the 13 fringe municipalities surrounding Metro will find they are subject to planning without representation when the official plan becomes law.

The fringe municipalities first gained group representation on the Metro Planning Board in 1957. While refusing to grant individual representation on the board, the province did at that time make a partial concession by granting them group representation. In this area Richmond Hill, Markham Township, Markham Village and Stouffville were grouped together as were Vaughan Township, Woodbridge and Toronto Gore Township. Former Richmond Hill Reeve James Haggart represents the four municipalities while former Deputyreeve Robert Kirk of Vaughan represents the latter three.

The Metro planning area covers 720 square miles and comprises the 13 municipalities which make it up and the 13 surrounding municipalities such as Markham, Vaughan and

Richmond Hill. Once the official plan is adopted it can only be changed by Metro Council and the 13 fringe municipalities have no voice on that body. Metro Planner Eli Comay conceded this change is "very controversial". The fringe municipalities are going to have to make a strong plea to the province to halt this change which, if allowed to proceed, will deprive them of what little control they have over their development.

It is unlikely that 116 years ago

when a group of public-spirited cit-

izens in Richmond Hill and surround-

ing area met to organize a one day

fair, they gave any thought to what

would be happening to the fair in

1965. No doubt they would be

delighted if they could but know that

the foundations they laid on that long

ago day are still firm and that the

interest in agricultural pursuits

which prompted such an annual event

is still as active and alive today as

it was then when the strictures of

pioneer life were being left behind

and the residents of this area were

enjoying the benefits of the fertile

Plans for the 1965 spring fair are

proceeding apace-and with the co-

operation of the weatherman it prom-

ises to be one of the best, if not the

best ever held in Richmond Hill. This

year it will be a two day event, May

14 and 15. Besides the heavy horses,

hunters and jumpers, rabbits and

cavies and Jersey cattle of former

years, this year's program will feat-

A representative of the Ontario Po-

lice Commission has conducted sur-

veys into the operation of district

police departments, including Mark-

ham Village, Markham Township,

Whitchurch Township and Stouff-

has this report been made public and

some of the recommendations con-

tained in it are rather startling to

committee, Deputy - Reeve Albert

Laidlaw, has stated quite openly that

he is opposed to many of the stip-

ulations set out in the brief. His

opinions, we believe, are based mainly

on a question of dollars and cents

and to this end, he will receive the

plaudits of the general public. How-

ever, somewhere along the line,

someone must bend a little, or rela-

The chairman of the village police

say the least.

To date, only in Markham Village

Copies of the official plan have gone out to all the municipalities and this summer six or seven public meetings will be held so that any interested parties can make representation. Any objections will be considered in the fall and the revised plan is expected to be approved by Metro early next year.

In 1960 Metro completed a draft official plan which provides the framework for establishing area-wide services and local development programs. It estimates development patterns and trends to 1980, and outlines the basic requirements to meet them.

The revised plan, once adopted, means all areas covered must carry out works and abide by zoning contained in it. It can only be amended on approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs on recommendation of Metro Council.

The elements of the official plan cover land use, transportation, right of way, population plan and a series of general policies concerning devel-

Mr. Comay feels Metro should be confined to its present boundaries and the fringe areas beyond it continued as a green belt.

That is, by 1980 the Metro population will be from two to 2.5 million persons and any development tending to boost this should be dispersed by the province to other areas.

The area thus outlined can be serviced by sewer, water and transportation plans now projected. Failure to limit it would result in a duplication, he said, of the problems faced by many U.S. cities.

"We would not be talking about a population of 2.5 million but 4.5 million in that case," he said and this would overwhelm existing services.

ure an enlarged women's section

which was revised last year and

received an enthusiastic reception.

A western horse show, featuring

palominos, quarter horses and appal-

oosans, will be an added attraction

this year and the public school age

children will find many events in

A few years ago pessimists were

ready to hang crepe on the more

than a century old annual event

which has never missed a year, in

spite of bad weather, wars, floods and

disasters. Such enthusiasm and such

plans are evidence that the Richmond

Hill Spring Fair is a most lively event

which is not due for extinction for

with pioneer days will be preserved

by supporting the members of the

agricultural society which sponsors

the spring fair, by attending both

days of this year's event and by

entering and encouraging others to

tions between the two factions will

It would seem rather strange that

copies of this survey were mailed out

early in February and yet, according

to the committee chairman, the con-

tents of the report have not been discussed in detail with the chief. This,

we cannot understand. If the com-

mittee cannot take the chief into

their confidence and discuss prob-

lems man to man, then there's some-

thing seriously wrong. It's a situation

that should be corrected before this

necessary service begins to suffer.

Commission's survey points out quite

specifically that there is a need for

closer communication between the

police department and the police com-

mittee. Problems are better solved

across the table than on the street-

We feel that the Ontario Police

enter the many competitions.

We can all assure that this link

which they may compete.

many years to come.

It's 116 Years Old

Should Be Guided By

Police Report

(Guest Editorial — Stouff ville Tribune)

only worsen.

corner.



FROM EUROPE

Dear Mr. Editor:-

APRIL 1965 AT MILL AND BATHURST STREETS

Flashback

## In Years Gone By

Items gleaned from files of "The Liberal", the home paper of this district since 1878.

Balser Munshaw, first settler in this area, set out from his homestead just north of the Elgin Mills Sideroad, one day in 1793 to find the "White Indian" reported to him by a wandering native. William Harrison wrote in August 2. 1888. He found Nicholas Millar, who had just taken up Lot 33. Concession 1, Markham Township, now in the Village of Thornhill.

Millar was evidently a man of He devised and built the first very persuasive qualities be- grist mill in the area which recause he convinced Munshaw mained on his farm long after that there was a good choice of it was no longer essential to splendid land in the Thornhill life in the wilderness. area, and that both families It was the stump of a solid

would be better off for having oak tree which had been cut close neighbors. Therefore down, levelled and hollowed Munshaw was induced to move out like a butter bowl. In this his family from the north and bowl the grain was placed. settle on the adjoining lot, re- At a suitable distance was set a ceiving his deed from the crown (Continued On Page 12) in 1802. Millar seems to have been the first settler to get his

for it dates back to 1796. (Photo by Stuart's Studio) Nicholas Millar has left evi-

IS WISDOM

Dear Mr. Editor:-

Dear Mr. Editor

JACK PASSMORE REPORTS | GREATEST OF ALL GIFTS

We would like you to know I presume that most thinking

how much "The Liberal" has persons will agree that no one meant to our family during our is infallible. Everyone is prone

two year tour in Germany. to make mistakes at some time

Since our arrival at No. 3 Wing, or another. To correct the mis-

lacked nothing except regular Sorrow, for a mistake made,

news from home. The arrival is the first essential. It is also

of our hometown newspaper the easiest step in the right

is always one of the highlights direction. The next step which

RCAF, in Zweibrucken we have take is the important thing.

patent from the government

MARKHAM: The public library board is seeking approval from ratepayers of the village to purchase the Morgan property on the west side of Main Street as the site of the centennial library, park and cenotaph. The large residence was left to the Presbyterian Church in Canada as a home for retired ministers. Since it is no longer required for that purpose permission has been received to sell it. Asking price is \$42,000.



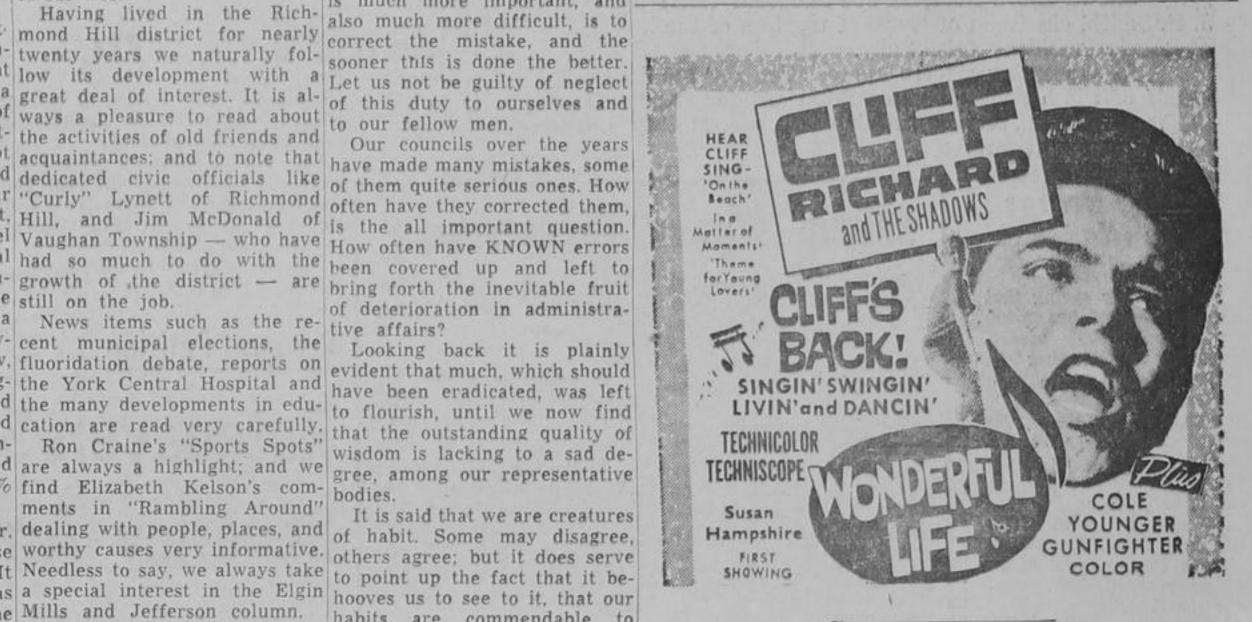
# dence that he was possessed of infinite mechanical ingenuity.

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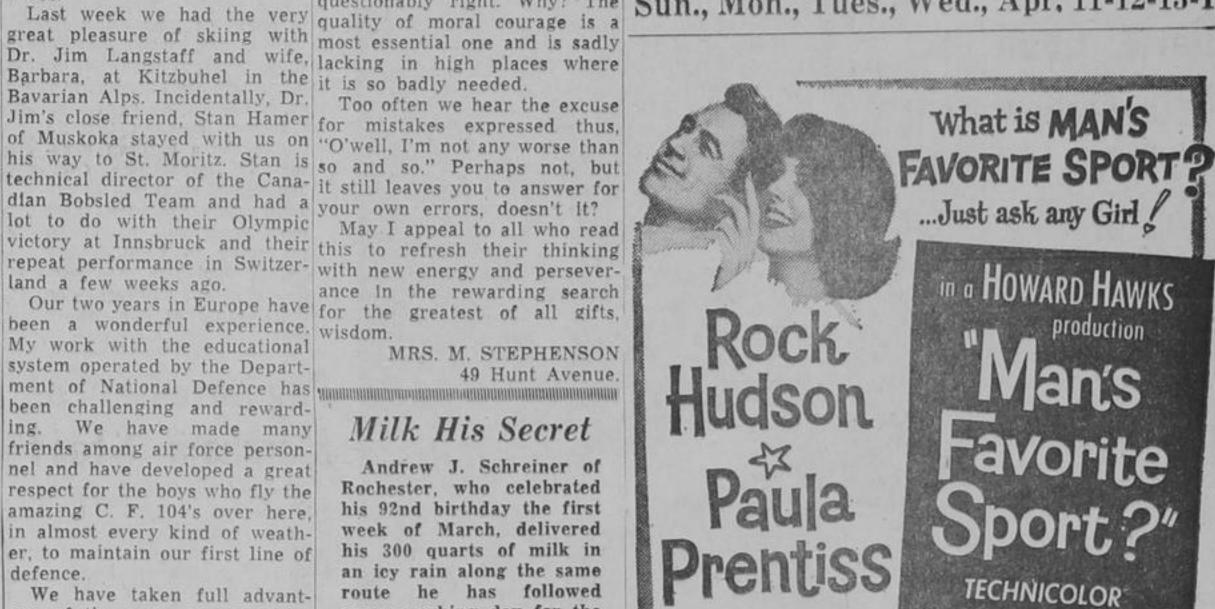


### Please Note

son, for his policies, for his the harsh realities of politics. district over here. Miss Bar- He will pay for his folly in Thurs., Fri., 1st show 7 p.m., last complete show 9.10 Sat. continuous from 6 p.m.

SAT. MATINEE 2 P.M.

questionably right. Why? The Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed., Apr. 11-12-13-14



PLUS



Please Note

7.50 p.m. Mon., Tues., Wed., 1st show 6.50 p.m., last complete show 8.30 p.m.

# by JOHN ADDISON M.P.

I would like this week to keenest and brightest intellect mond Hill district for nearly correct the mistake, and the speak about a native of Aurora ual powers. In the United Na- twenty years we naturally fol- sooner this is done the better. and a man whose heart is there- tions these qualities brought low its development with a Let us not be guilty of neglect fore closely allied with the con- him unequalled success as a great deal of interest. It is al- of this duty to ourselves and stituency and interests of York peacemaker and bulwark of ways a pleasure to read about to our fellow men. North - this man is our own freedom. During the tumult- the activities of old friends and Our councils over the years Prime Minister, Lester B. Pear- uous troubles of Cyprus, Egypt acquaintances; and to note that have made many mistakes, some son. Mr. Pearson, since he has and Korea, Mr. Pearson showed dedicated civic officials like of them quite serious ones. How assumed the office of the prime a sense of purpose and fair "Curly" Lynett of Richmond often have they corrected them, ministership, has been subjected play, added to sound judgment. Hill, and Jim McDonald of is the all important question. recently to a great deal of that won for him the Nobel Vaughan Township - who have How often have KNOWN errors criticism, some of it justified. Peace prize. In international had so much to do with the been covered up and left to much of it unjustified. There affairs, few men are as emin- growth of the district - are bring forth the inevitable fruit have been troubles, none of us ently respected as our Prime still on the job. would deny that, and yet Minister. Mr. Pearson is a News items such as the retive affairs? throughout these troubles Mr. statesman and one of his fav-cent municipal elections, the Pearson has retained his strong ourite stories is to relate how, fluoridation debate, reports on evident that much, which should character and leadership, when when some American young- the York Central Hospital and have been eradicated, was left lesser men might have crumbl- sters were asked if they wished the many developments in edu- to flourish, until we now find

trust the opinions of party nothing will avert him - be it "Tiny" Cathers and their stand alone for what is unparty politics or criticism of wives. The Prime Minister is an exness has shown itself on many What I am suggesting is that Dr. Jim Langstaff and wife most essential one and is sadly ness has shown itself on many as Canadians we can be proud Barbara, at Kitzbuhel in the it is so badly needed. prejudge people, regardless of the fact that we have as a Bavarian Alps. Incidentally, Dr. Too often we hear the excuse their position. One recent ex-ample of Mr. Pearson's fairness and admiration. Sensational bavarian Alps. Incidentally, Dr. Too often we hear the excuse Jim's close friend, Stan Hamer for mistakes expressed thus, of Muskoka stayed with us on "O'well, I'm not any worse than ample of Mr. Pearson's fairness and admiration. Sensational his way to St. Moritz. Stan is so and so." Perhaps not, but allow the controversy over the issues and scandalous charges technical director of the Cana- it still leaves you to answer for off-shore fishing limits to be should not shake our trust in dian Bobsled Team and had a your own errors, doesn't it? decided by the courts, rather the Prime Minister. Canada is lot to do with their Olympic May I appeal to all who read

his right to do so. Mr. Pearson is a man of the thanks to Lester B. Pearson for been a wonderful experience, wisdom, All his life his mind has played

by Elizabeth Kelson

Three main programs, assistance to widows and unmarried women aged 60 years or over; old age assistance for persons aged 65 to 69 years, and old age security for all those 70 years of age, provide economic maintenance for the aging. On May 1, 1963, the Ontario government announced a new plan to pay \$75 a month to widows over 60 in difficult circumstances. In all there are nine services for the elderly.

This is a service not only for widows, but for all women over the age of 60 who for various reasons have to live alone under certain difficult circumstances. You may be eligible for widows' allowance if: you are a widow; you are a spinster; you are a divorcee or if you are a married woman who has a husband in any of the following places . . . a mental home, a tuberculosis sanitarium, hospital for the chronically ill, a nursing home or a home for the aged. A married woman may also be eligible if she has been deserted and her husband has not been heard from for six months, or if her husband has been in prison for at least six months, or if she has been separated from her husband for seven years.

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ed under the strain. to be President, 99% replied cation are read very carefully, that the outstanding quality of

To many people, it seems 'yes'; but when the same num- Ron Craine's "Sports Spots" wisdom is lacking to a sad depeculiar that the Prime Minis- ber were asked if they wished are always a highlight; and we gree, among our representative ter has not lost the support of to be politicians, only 12% find Elizabeth Kelson's com-bodies. some members of his party, or were willing to say 'yes'. at least been criticized by them. Men of the calibre of Mr. dealing with people, places, and of habit. Some may disagree, I would like to forward my Pearson are rare; they rise worthy causes very informative, others agree; but it does serve opinion as to why this has not above mere party politics. It Needless to say, we always take to point up the fact that it beoccurred and why I do not is no wonder then, that he has a special interest in the Elgin hooves us to see to it, that our believe It will occur. The the unqualified support of the Mills and Jefferson column. habits are commendable to members of the Liberal Party, Liberal Party. While all admit It has been a real pleasure others. Why should we cause without exception, have the to the fact of his great states- to meet quite a number of some one else to stumble on greatest respect for Mr. Pear-manship, he is quickly learning people from the Richmond Hill account of our poor example? leadership. Mr. Pearson is a Politics, however, to the Prime bara Bain and Miss Carol Cars- due time, but we will pay more

quiet, efficient leader, one who Minister, is not an end in itself; well spent a weekend with us; for having led him astray, does not make great show of it is a means to an end. The and while attending the Winter It seems to be human nature the fact that he is the man in end to which Mr. Pearson de- Olympics at Innsbruck in Aus- to hide behind another's leadcharge, one who is constantly votes his efforts is the good of tria. I literally bumped into ership, which has been queswilling to accept new ideas, and Canada. From this end, John Addison, Charlie Burns, tionable, rather than take a

than Parliament. The Prime once again respected by the victory at Innsbruck and their this to refresh their thinking Minister is never one to assume world and this nation is moving repeat performance in Switzer- with new energy and perseverpower where he feels it is not forward. The future is ours, land a few weeks ago. and we can all give a vote of Our two years in Europe have for the greatest of all gifts,

very highest character and of being one of the men respons- My work with the educational far-ranging intellectual scope, ible for this happy situation. about broad issues of human

progress, and, whether at home or abroad, he animates an ardent philanthropy with the

## The Welfare Story (continued)

### Widows' Allowances

# Second Thoughts

Canadian Armed quarts every day."

Milk His Secret

Rochester, who celebrated

his 92nd birthday the first

week of March, delivered

his 300 quarts of milk in

an icy rain along the same

route he has followed

last 80 years.

neighbors' cows.

every working day for the

A sturdy little man with

white moustache and a

fringe of white hair, Mr.

Schreiner started on the

route when he was 12,

working for his grand-

mother's dairy business,

which competed with the

His secret of longevity?

"You see," he said, "I

drink a lot of milk-two

Andrew J. Schreiner of

system operated by the Depart-

been challenging and reward-

ing. We have made many

friends among air force person-

nel and have developed a great

respect for the boys who fly the

amazing C. F. 104's over here.

in almost every kind of weath-

er, to maintain our first line of

age of the many opportunities

to travel and have visited most

of the countries in Scandinavia.

Great Britain, and continental

Now - as our tour draws to

a close - we are looking for-

ward to returning home to our

Yours sincerely,

JACK PASSMORE

DND Senior School.

3 Wing, RCAF,

Forces, Europe.

CFPO 5055,

family and friends.

We have taken full advant-

ment of National Defence has y

BY GEORGE MAYES

Yesterday's news is not necessarily dead

Those Bi-Bi hearings in Toronto seemed to indicate that everyone is in favour of French being taught in Ontario-to everyone else, that is. . . . And while the kids seem certain to be stuck with it

sooner or later, we didn't see any briefs from THEM!

Even the Imperial Order of Daughters of the Empire became mature majorettes in the French-inthe schools parade; and further offered to change its name "because the empire no longer exists". However, the order's president says, they would like to retain the IODE initials and the commission was Sun., continuous from 4.45 p.m., last complete show invited to suggest some suitable word starting with an "E" . . . How about "Enemy"?

The U.S. Republican Party is also looking for a new name and has been conducting motivational (Continued on Page 12)

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